

# Newton's First Law (NIL)

An object maintains  
a constant velocity  
unless acted on by  
a net outside force.

↑  
total

No net force: equilibrium  
(forces cancel)

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Static equilibrium:

no net force

$$v = 0$$

(no motion)

Force: a push or a pull

Units: Newtons

$$1 \text{ N} = 1 \frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

# Types of Forces

- Weight  $W$

force of gravity on object

units : Newtons

mass  $m$  : amount of stuff  
an object has

on Earth,

$$W = mg$$

$$g = 9.8 \text{ N/kg} = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

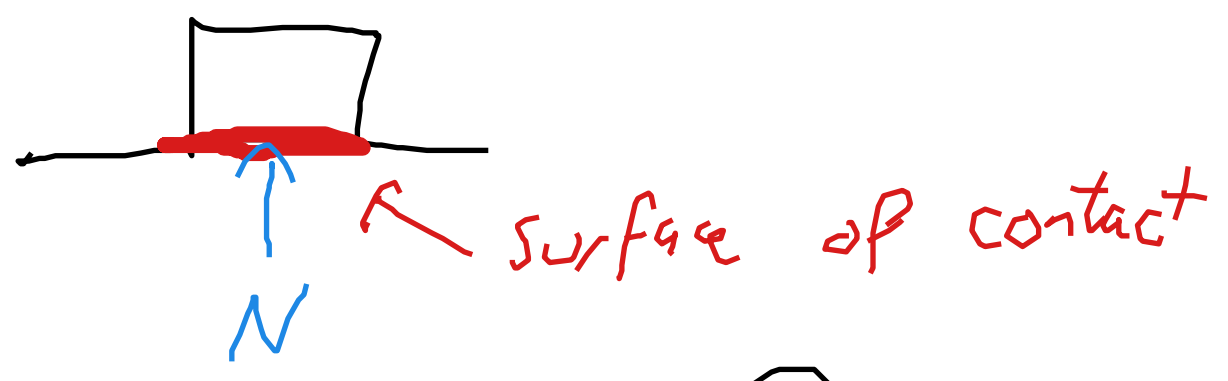
Pounds (lbs) are unit of force

not mass       $1 \text{ lb} = 4.5 \text{ N}$        $40 \text{ N} \sim 9 \text{ lb}$

# "Adjustable" Forces

- unless given. take whatever force is necessary to maintain equilibrium

- Normal force  $N$ 
    - a "push"
    - $\perp$  to surface of contact
- "normal"  
= "perpendicular"  
 $\perp$

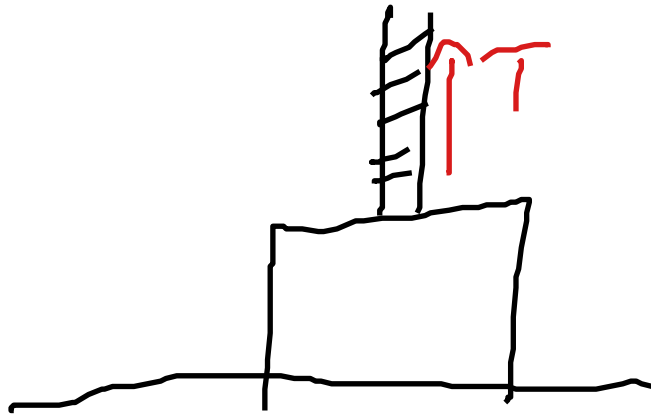


- Static friction  $S$ 
  - resistance to sliding
  - parallel to surface of contact

• Tension  $T$

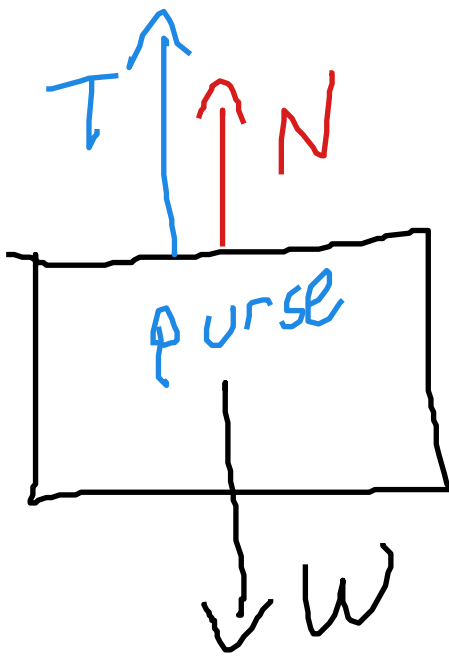
→ "pull"

→ usually along a rope etc



# Force Diagram

- start with object of interest



purse  
being  
pulled up  
by its  
strap

- draw and label all forces on object as vectors

# Identifying Forces

1) Weight

2) Look for all <sup>other</sup> objects touching the object.

- table

- strap

3) any surface of contact provides a normal force and maybe a frictional force

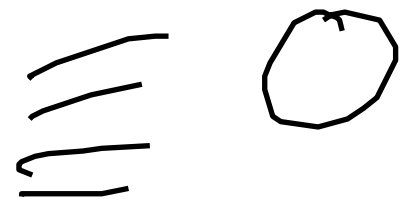
4) if there any ropes etc, add tension

5) if there are multiples use subscripts

$N_{\text{table}}$

$T_{\text{strap}}$

Question: throw a ball across a room

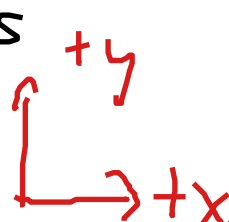


How many forces are acting on this ball? 1

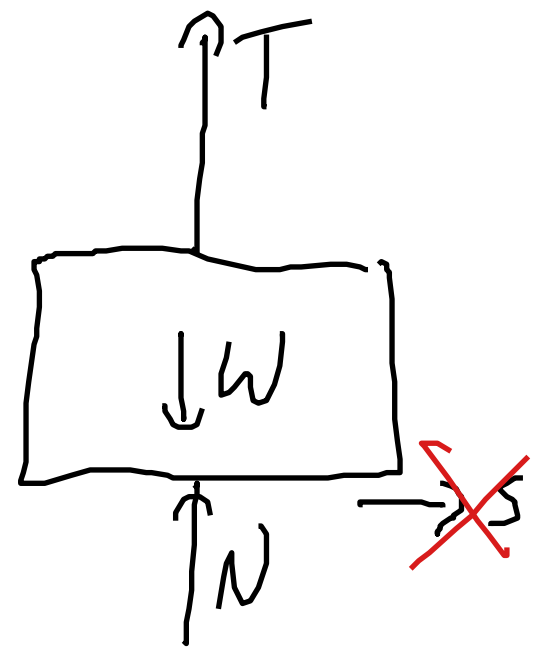


• nothing is touching the ball right now (except air - ignore!)  
So no other forces

# Solving force problems



	$x$	$y$
weight	0	-10
tension, strap	0	+T
normal, table	0	+N
equilibrium	0	0



$W = 10\text{ N}$

$y: -10 + T + N = 0$

$T + N = 10$

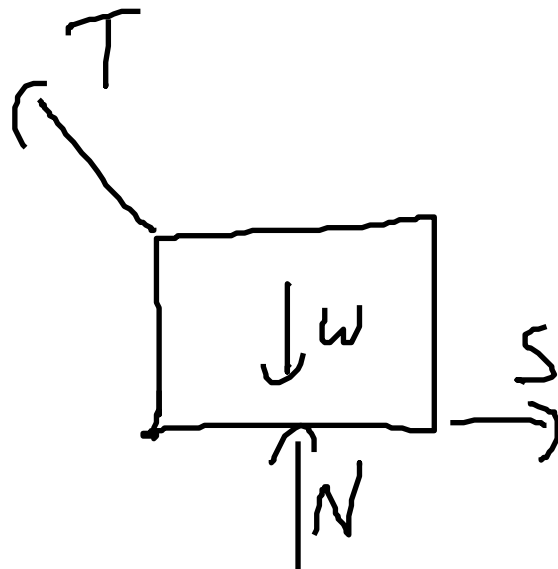
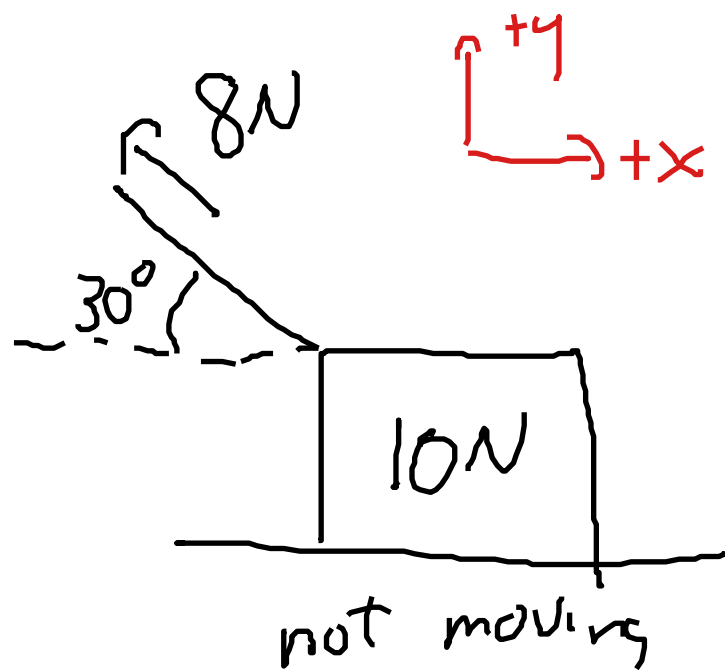
I don't have enough information to solve: 2 unknowns, 1 equation

If  $T$  said  $T = 6N,$

$$6 + N = 10$$

$$N = 4N$$

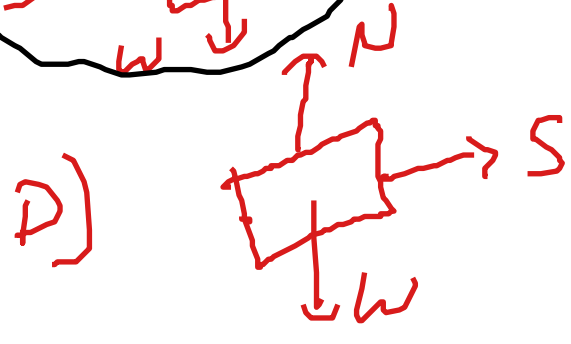
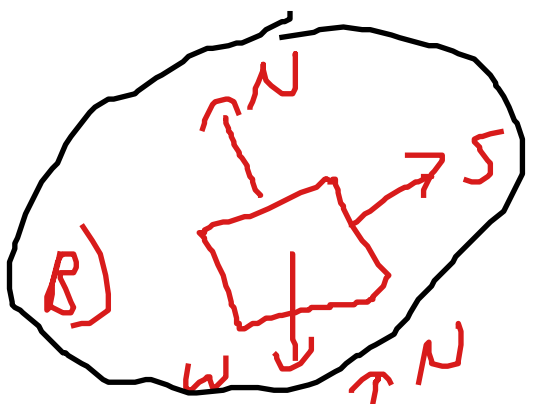
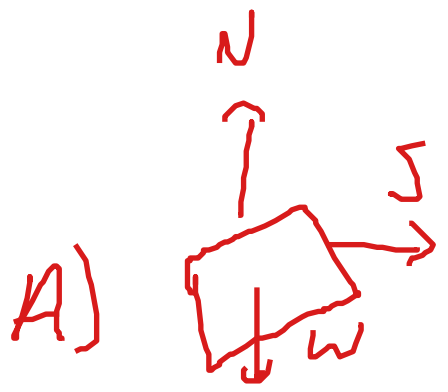
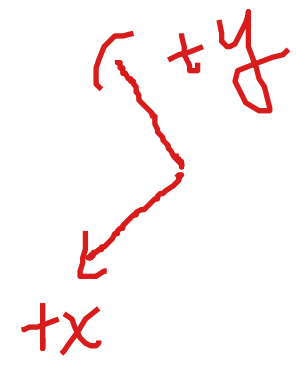
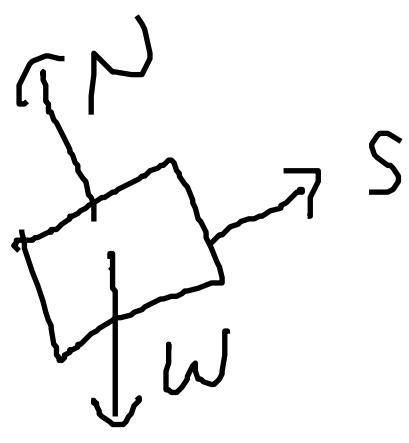
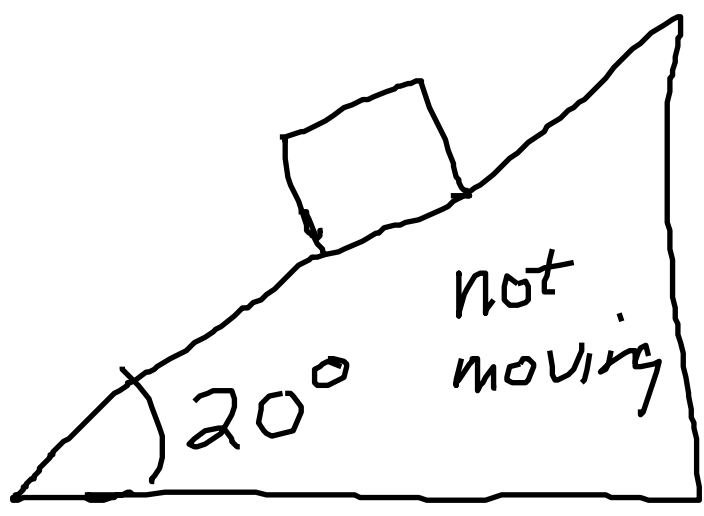
	x	y
weight	—	-10
tension, rope	- $8\cos 30^\circ$	+ $8\sin 30^\circ$
normal, table	—	+N
s. friction, table	+S	—
equilibrium	0	0



$$x: -8\cos 30^\circ + S = 0 \rightarrow S = 8\cos 30^\circ = 6.93\text{N}$$

$$y: -10 + 8\sin 30^\circ + N = 0$$

$$N = 10 - 8\sin 30^\circ = 6\text{N}$$



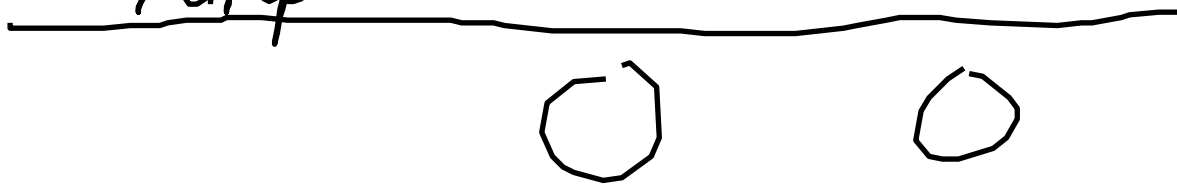
	<u>x</u>	<u>y</u>
Weight	$+ W \sin 20^\circ$	$- W \cos 20^\circ$

normal,  
ramp

—	$+ N \uparrow$
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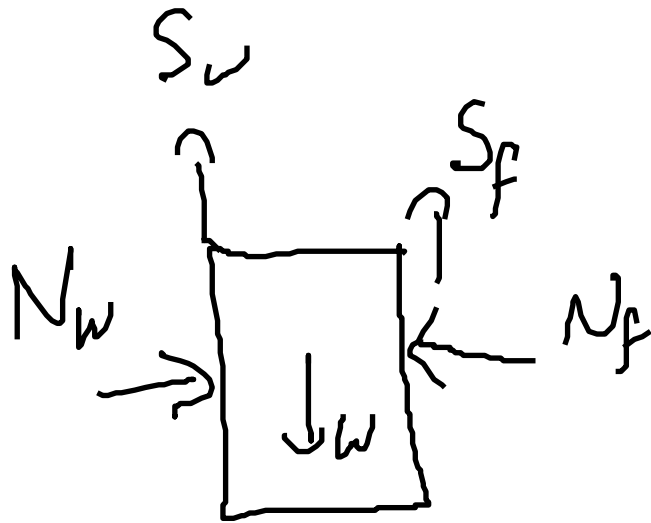
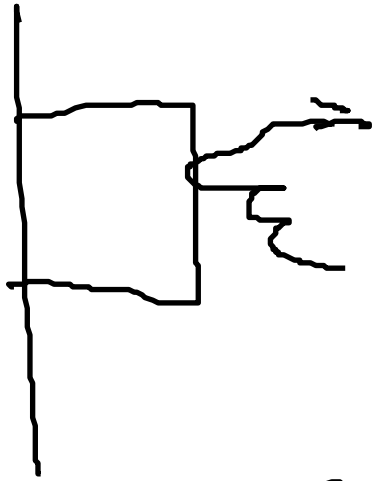
S. friction,  
ramp

— S	—
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$$W \sin 20^\circ = S$$

$$W \cos 20^\circ = N$$



Weight

normal, wall

S. friction, wall

normal, finger

S. friction, finger

up = down

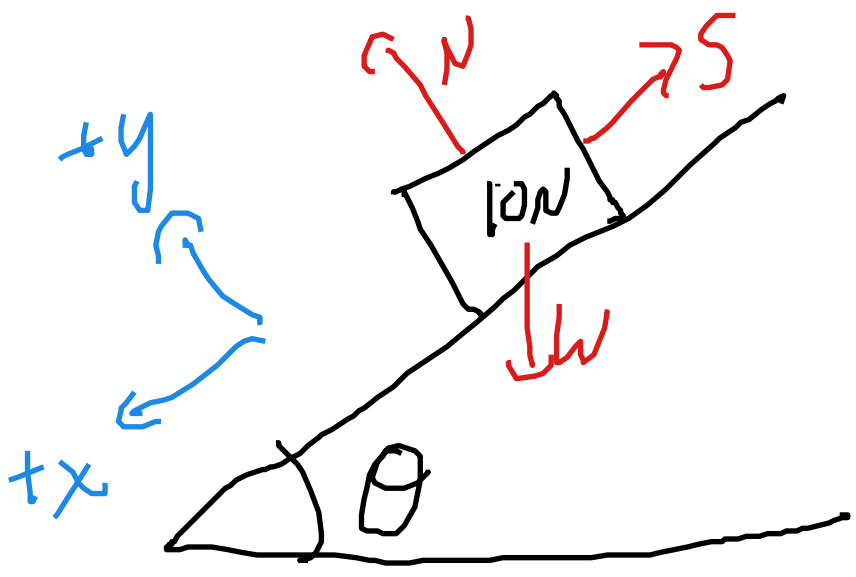
$$S_w + S_f = W$$

Static friction requires  
corresponding normal force

$$S \leq \underbrace{\mu_s N}_{S_{\max}}$$

not  
slipping

$\mu_s$ : coefficient of  
static friction



For what values of  $\theta$  will the block not slip?

weight	$+W \sin \theta$	$-W \cos \theta$
normal	0	$+N$
s. friction	$-S$	0
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	$S = W \sin \theta$	$N = W \cos \theta$

$$S \leq \mu_s N$$

$$\cancel{W} \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \leq \frac{\mu_s \cancel{W} \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\tan \theta \leq \mu_s \quad \text{not slipping}$$

if  $\theta = 10^\circ$ ,  $\tan 10^\circ = 0.18$

$$\mu_s > 0.18$$

wood on wood:  $\mu_s = 0.3$

rubber on dry concrete:  $\mu_s = 1$

if  $\theta = 45^\circ$ ,  $\tan 45^\circ = 1$

$$\mu_s \geq 1$$

# Newton's Second Law

if net force is not zero,

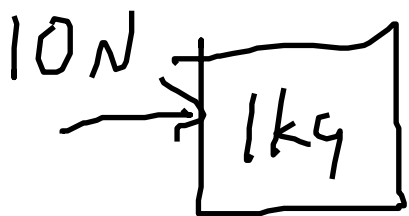
the object accelerates

$$\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{F}_{\text{net}}}{m}$$

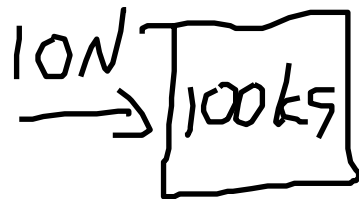
*visible effect* →  $\vec{a}$        $\vec{F}_{\text{net}}$  ← *invisible cause*  
 $m$  ← *resistance to change*

or

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$$

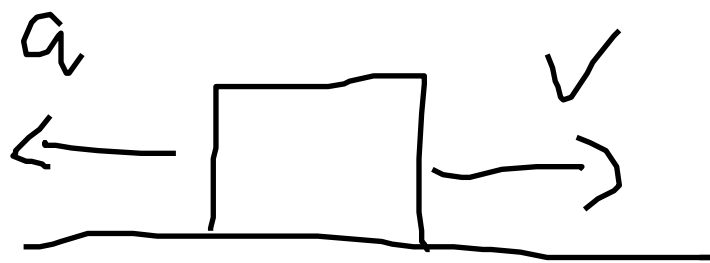


$$\vec{a} = \frac{10\text{N}}{1\text{kg}} = 10\text{m/s}^2$$



$$\vec{a} = \frac{10\text{N}}{100\text{kg}} = 0.1\text{m/s}^2$$

Push a block across a table, it comes to a stop Why?



Must have an  $\vec{a}$  in opposite direction, therefore must be a force in opposite direction,

Kinetic Friction  $\vec{K}$  points opposite the velocity

$$K = \mu_k N$$

not adjustable